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SELECT COMMITTEE TO
STUDY GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS WITH
RESPECT TO INTELLIGENCE ACTIVITIES
(PURSUANT TO S. RES. 21, 84TH CONGRESS)
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20510

March 19, 1975

The Honorable Edward H. Levi
The Attorney General
Washington, D. C. 20530

Dear Mr. Attorney General:

On behalf of the Senate Select Committee To Study Governmental Operations With Respect To Intelligence Activities, Senator Tower and I want to thank you for the opportunity we had on February 26, 1975, to discuss the work of the Committee. I want to express my personal appreciation for your willingness to assist the Committee to meet its responsibilities under the mandate of S. Res. 21. I believe we are in agreement that the work of the Committee should proceed as expeditiously as possible.

Toward that end we are seeking initial documentation from various agencies whose activities fall within the mandate given us by the Senate. Enclosed with this letter is a copy of an initial request for documents relating to the Federal Bureau of Investigation, which has been previously discussed with staff representatives of the Bureau. With the unanimous approval of the Committee, I respectfully request that the documents be supplied to the Committee at the earliest opportunity.

We expect to make similar initial requests for documents to other parts of your Department that fall under the mandate of S. Res. 21.

I trust that our respective staffs will continue to work together in the spirit of mutual cooperation which we both recognize is necessary to ensure a thorough and expeditious investigation.

With kind regards,

Sincerely,

Frank Church
Chairman

FIRST REQUEST FOR FBI DOCUMENTS

I. Legal Authorities

All memoranda discussing the legal authority of the Federal Bureau of Investigation to (1) investigate internal security matters, (2) collect intelligence information, and (3) engage in counter-intelligence activities; together with copies of all constitutional and statutory provisions, executive orders, presidential directives, Attorney General opinions and memoranda, and any other materials asserted as sources of such authority.

II. Jurisdictional Agreements

All delimitations agreements, jurisdictional agreements, agreements for coordination, and memoranda or understanding, between the FBI and any other Federal departments or agencies, insofar as they pertain to internal security, intelligence collection, and/or counter-intelligence matters, operations, or activities.

III. Organization

A. A detailed current organizational chart reflecting all divisions, sections, branches, and units of the FBI, and the subject matters assigned to each by generic and numerical designation.

B. A list of names, titles, and offices of assignment of all Intelligence Division personnel at FBI Headquarters, down to and including unit chiefs, together with the number of personnel below the level of unit chief categorized by unit or other office of assignment.

C. At the field level, the titles and the number of FBI field office agents assigned to internal security, intelligence collection, and/or counter-intelligence matters, operations, or activities, together with the percentage of total agent man-hours devoted to such matters, operations, and activities.

IV. Policies and Procedures

A. The table of contents of the FBI Manual of Instructions, and those portions of the Manual of Instructions which pertain to internal security, intelligence collection, and/or counter-intelligence matters, operations, or activities.

B. The table of contents of the FBI Manual of Rules and Regulations, and those portions of the Manual of Rules and Regulations which pertain to internal security, intelligence collection, and/or counter-intelligence matters, operations, or activities.

V. Studies and Reports

A. The Special Report of the Interagency Committee on Intelligence (Ad Hoc), dated June, 1970.

B. The original report on COINTELPRO activities prepared by the Committee headed by Assistant Attorney General Henry Petersen.